ARE YOU SHY.
OR JUST SURPRISED?
OR ARE YOU
PERHAPS SCARED?

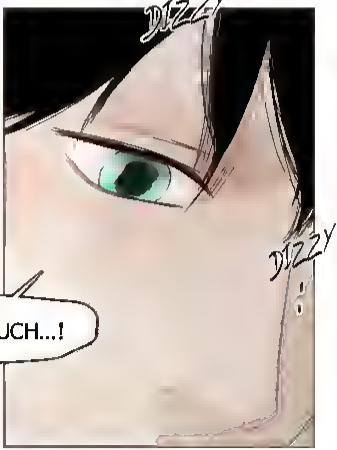
FLASH
DO YOU KNOW WHICH?

!!!!!
FLA
SH

WINTER, ARE YOU OKAY?
HEY!!
JANE!
WHAT THE HELL WERE YOU DREAMING ABOUT? YOU SURPRISED ME WITH ALL THAT TWITCHING!
TREMBLE
TREMBLE
IT WAS SCARY.
THE DREAM WAS SO SCARY.

UMPH~
WINTER, WHAT'S WRONG?

I'M NOT SURE. MY WHOLE BODY HURTS.


DIZZY
DIZZY
IT HURTS SO MUCH...!

EMILY, YOUR CURSE...

IS NOT WHAT I THINK IT IS, IS IT?

[redacted]

THAT'S SO TERRIFYING...

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IS THERE SOMETHING WRONG WITH HIM?

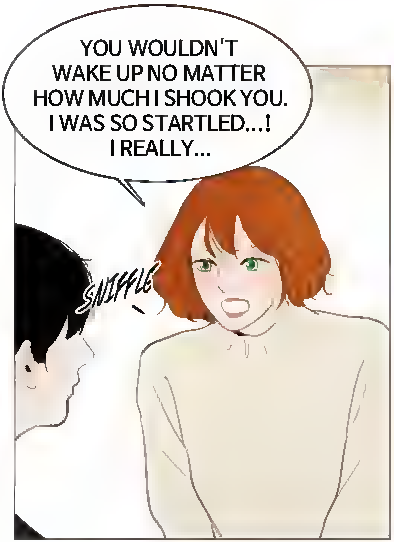
THERE DOESN'T SEEM TO BE ANY PROBLEM WITH HIS BODY. HE'S OKAY.

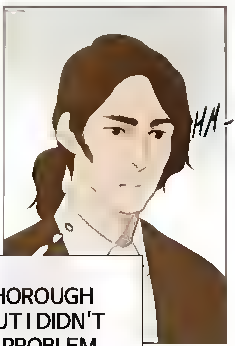
IT MAY BE HARD TO BELIEVE, BUT I HAVE EXPERIENCES IN MEDICAL FIELDS, SO YOU CAN TRUST ME.

FOR NOW, HE NEEDS SOME REST. YOU TOO NEED TO RELAX, JANE.

WINTER'S COMPLEXION HAS GOTTEN SO MUCH BETTER SINCE I FIRST MET HIM, AND THOSE SCARS ON HIS BODY HAVE ALL HEALED UP, BUT NOW HE SUDDENLY FAINTED, SAYING HIS BODY HURT...

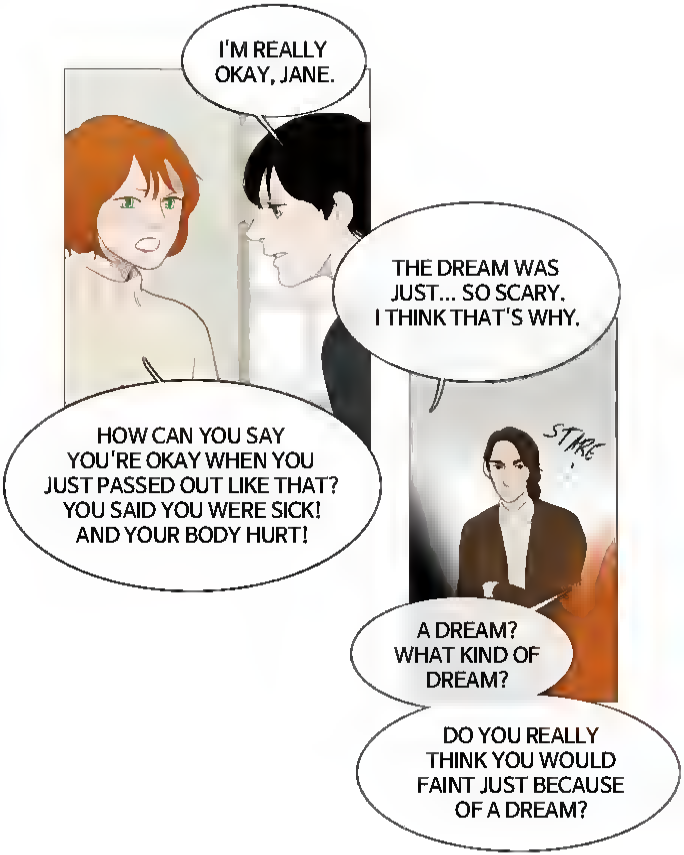
...JANE...
WINTER!!
ARE YOU OKAY?!



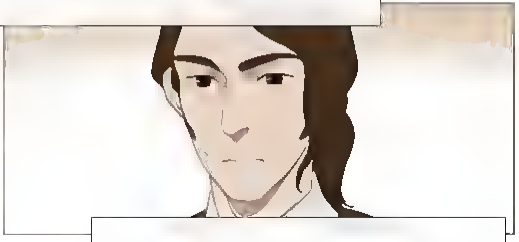


I DID A THOROUGH CHECK, BUT I DIDN'T FIND ANY PROBLEM.

WINTER,
YOU NEED TO GET HEALTHIER.
JANE WAS SHOUTING SO LOUDLY
THAT I COULD HEAR HER
ALL THE WAY FROM MY ROOM.
SO I RUSHED OVER HERE.
ARGH!
SMACK


I'M REALLY OKAY, JANE.
THE DREAM WAS JUST... SO SCARY. I THINK THAT'S WHY.
HOW CAN YOU SAY YOU'RE OKAY WHEN YOU JUST PASSED OUT LIKE THAT? YOU SAID YOU WERE SICK! AND YOUR BODY HURT!
STARE
A DREAM? WHAT KIND OF DREAM?
DO YOU REALLY THINK YOU WOULD FAINT JUST BECAUSE OF A DREAM?

...I SAW HIM SAYING HE WAS IN PAIN
ON THE SECURITY CAMERA,
BUT WAS THAT BECAUSE OF A DREAM
RATHER THAN ACTUAL PAIN?



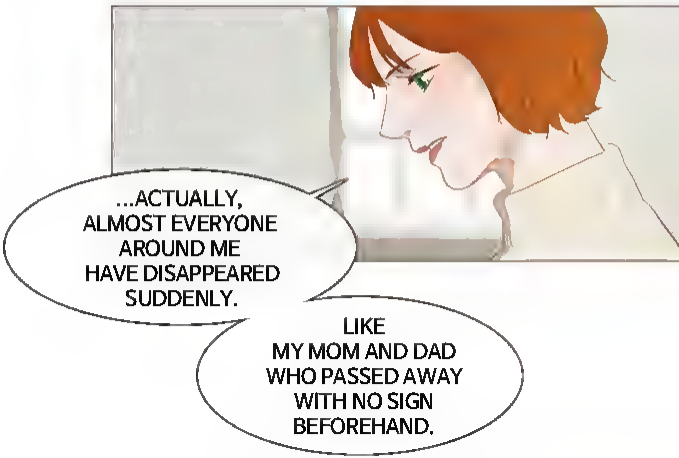
WAS IT A PSYCHOLOGICAL SHOCK?
NO, SOMETHING DOESN'T ADD UP.
WHICH WAS IT, A DREAM OR PAIN?

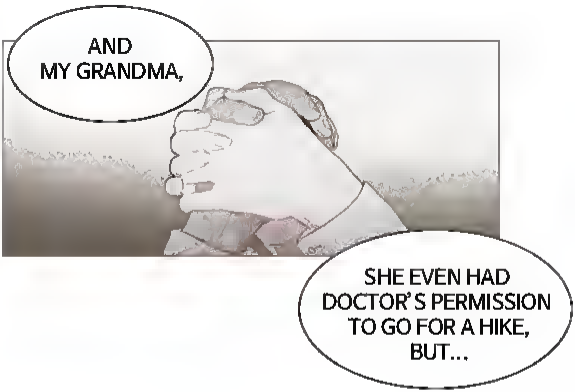
I SHOULD CALL THE LAB.
THERE COULD BE A CHANGE
IN THE FIGURES.

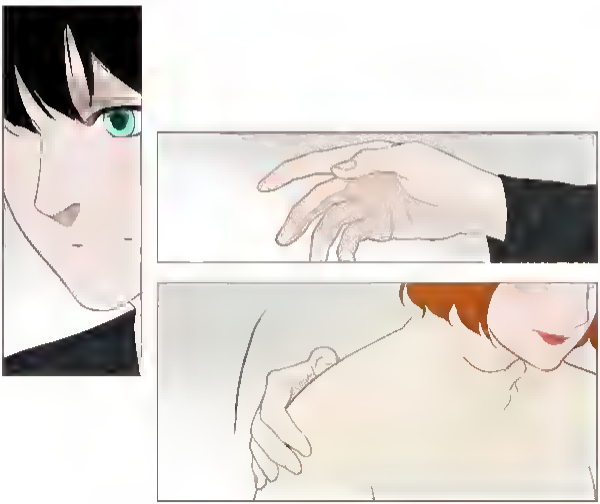
WELL,
I'LL HEAD BACK NOW
SINCE HE SAYS
HE'S FINE.
WINTER!
TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF.
AND JANE, MAKE HIM
SOME GOOD FOOD!
THANK YOU,
SMITH.
THANKS
FOR TODAY.
TAKE CARE~

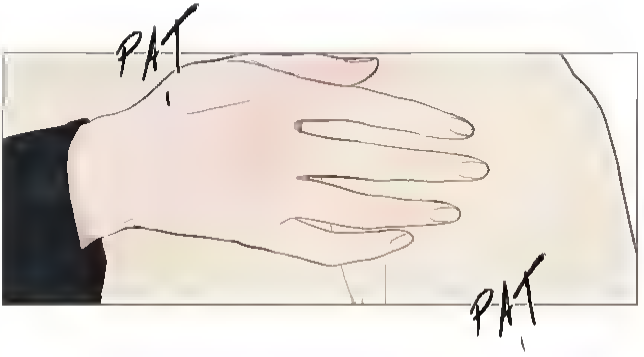
FROM NOW ON,
I WANT YOU TO TELL ME
RIGHT AWAY
ANY TIME YOU FEEL STRANGE
EVEN A LITTLE BIT.
IT'S
WORRYING.
JANE,
WERE YOU
REALLY WORRIED
ABOUT ME?
YOU HAVE
NO IDEA!
...ANYWAY,
I'M GLAD THAT
THERE S NOTHING
WRONG WITH YOU.

YOU LOOK KIND OF STRANGE, JANE. YOU LOOK SO ANXIOUS.
PLOP


...ACTUALLY, ALMOST EVERYONE AROUND ME HAVE DISAPPEARED SUDDENLY.
LIKE MY MOM AND DAD WHO PASSED AWAY WITH NO SIGN BEFOREHAND.


AND
MY GRANDMA,
SHE EVEN HAD
DOCTOR'S PERMISSION
TO GO FOR A HIKE,
BUT...

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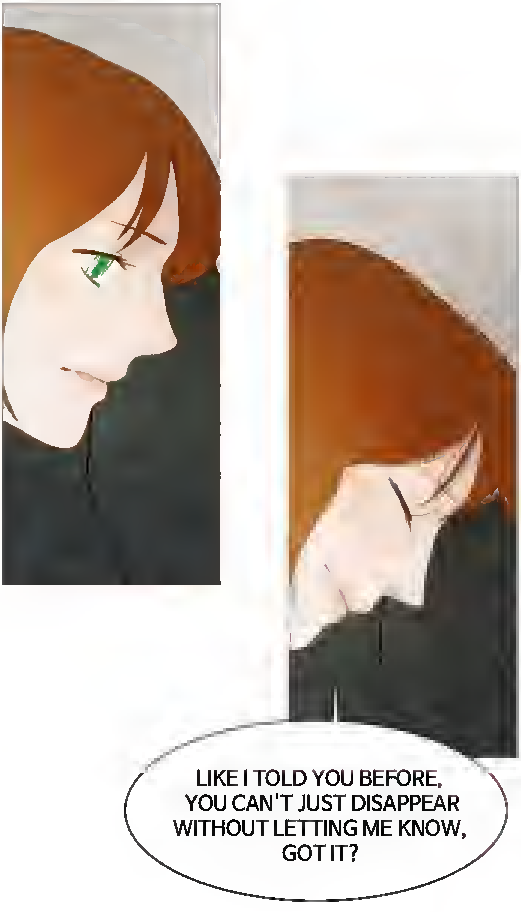
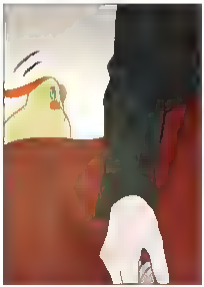

LIKE I TOLD YOU BEFORE,
YOU CAN'T JUST DISAPPEAR
WITHOUT LETTING ME KNOW,
GOT IT?

GOT IT.

RISING
RISING

AH RIGHT! I'M SUPPOSED TO GO FOR AN INTERVIEW TODAY!!
JUMP!
RUNNING!

AH- YEAH, I'M SORRY.
I HAD AN EMERGENCY...
WOULD IT BE POSSIBLE TO
POSTPONE THE INTERVIEW
A LITLE BIT?
SURE, RIGHT...
AH... AH, NO.
I'M REALLY SORRY.



ARE YOU REALLY OKAY?
I HAVEN'T SEEN ANYTHING
LIKE THIS BEFORE, EITHER.
I'M PRETTY FLUSTERED
TOO.

.....YEAH.

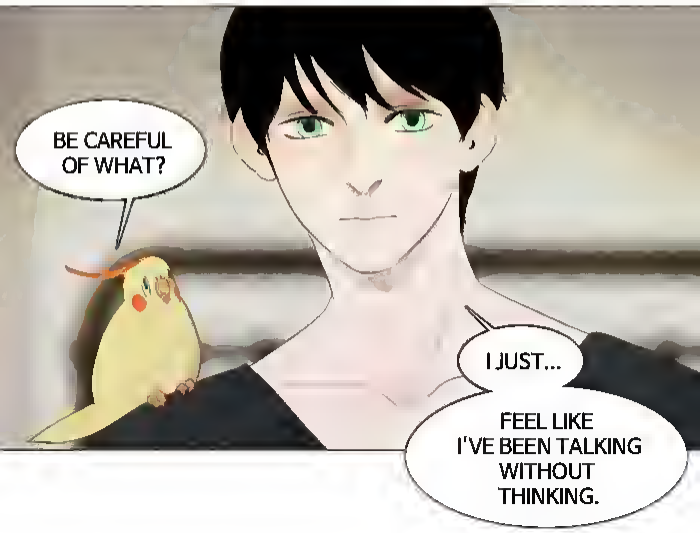
I'M OKAY.

CAN YOU
AT LEAST SAY IT
LIKE YOU MEAN IT?

THIS CAN'T BE GOOD.
I NEED TO DO SOMETHING
AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.
???
WHAT ARE YOU
THINKING?
STARE

...IT JUST
CROSSED
MY MIND.

THAT I SHOULD BE MORE CAREFUL.


BE CAREFUL OF WHAT?
I JUST...
FEEL LIKE I'VE BEEN TALKING WITHOUT THINKING.

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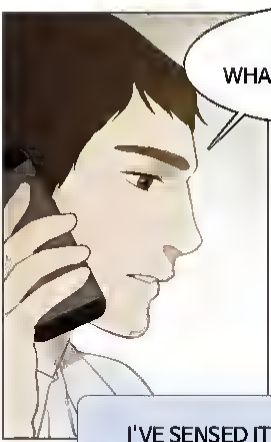
THERE WEREN'T ANY PHYSICAL CHANGES.
BASED ON WHAT WINTER SAID, IT SOUNDS LIKE IT COULD BE A PSYCHOLOGICAL PROBLEM, BUT IT'S WEIRD-
SMITH, WAIT. LET ME TELL THEM FIRST.

IT'S ME.

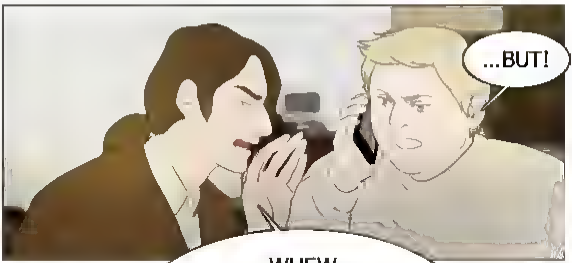


I'VE SENSED IT ALREADY-
THERE'S SOMETHING
SUSPICIOUS ABOUT CLAUDE.
I THINK HE'S THE SERIAL KILLER.

WINTER FAINTED
RIGHT AFTER COMING BACK
FROM CLAUDE'S PLACE.
SOMETHING CLEARLY HAPPENED
BETWEEN THE TWO OF THEM.

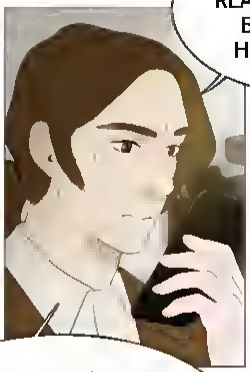
I THINK WE NEED TO INSTALL SOMETHING IN HIS APARTMENT TO KEEP AN EYE ON HIM.

NO, NOT YET... LET'S NOT RUSH ANYTHING.



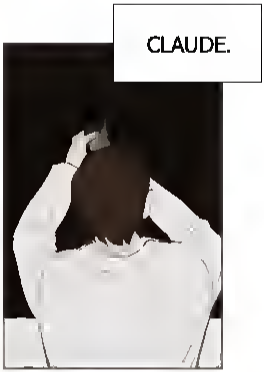
WHEW, SORRY ABOUT THAT. ANYWAY, SO HIS FIGURES ARE STILL NORMAL, RIGHT?

AH,RIGHT. THERE AREN'T ANY MAJOR CHANGES.


...THEN DID HE REALLY PASS OUT BECAUSE OF HIS DREAM...?
ANYWAY, WE'LL KEEP MONITORING HIM CLOSELY, SO LET US KNOW IF ANYTHING COMES UP.

ALRIGHT. THANK YOU.
WHAT COULD BE THE PROBLEM, SERIOUSLY?

I JUST FELT A TWINGE IN HERE WHILE I WAS LOOKING AT JANE'S FACE.
WHY DID IT DO THAT?
DOES THIS MEAN THAT THE PAIN FROM BEFORE MEANT SOMETHING, TOO?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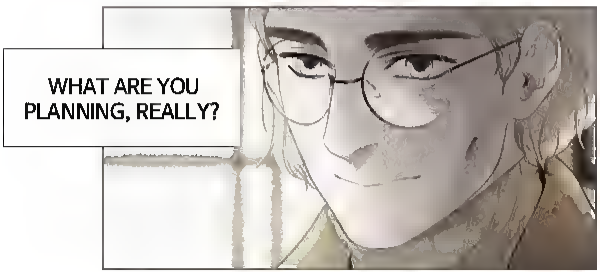
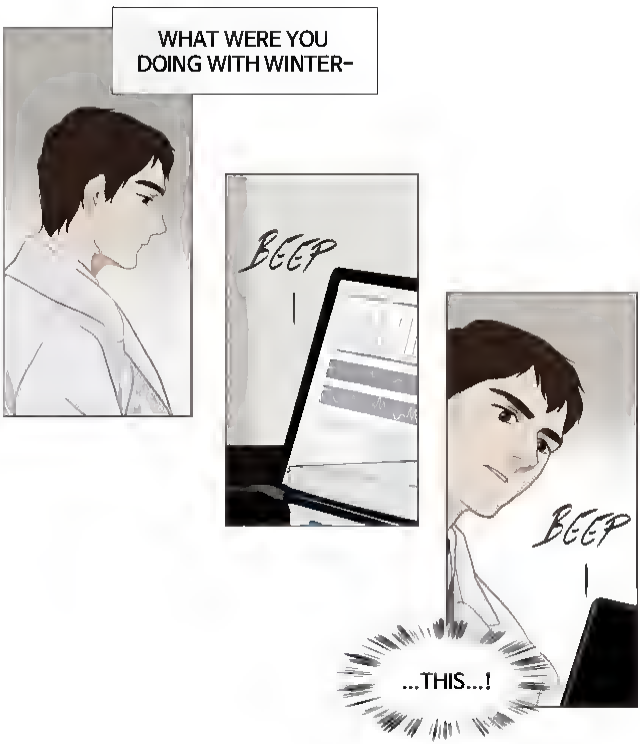
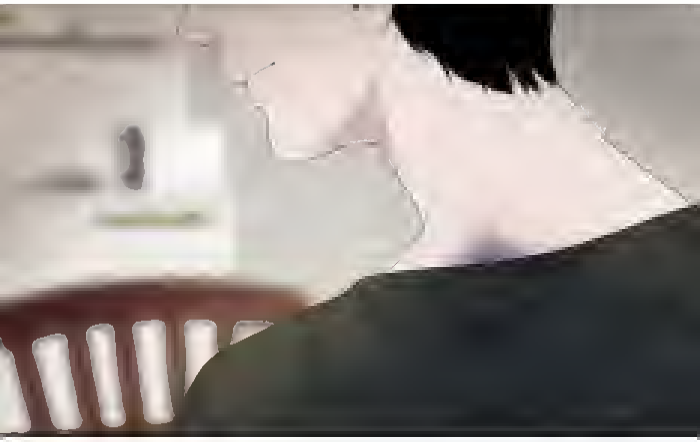

WHAT ARE YOU PLANNING, REALLY?


WHAT WERE YOU DOING WITH WINTER-
BEEP
BEEP
...THIS...!

WINTER!
ARE YOU HUNGRY?
I'LL MAKE YOU SOME
SPECIAL HEALTHY
FOOD TODAY.
THANKS,
JANE.
CHOP
CHOP
FLIP



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